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## BRAZIL.

*Report from Rio de Janeiro—Inspection of vessels—Plague and small-pox in certain cities of Brazil—Recrudescence of plague in Rio de Janeiro.*

Acting Assistant Surgon Stewart reports, September 12 and 18, as follows:

Week ended September 9, 1906: Vessels inspected and received bills of health as follows: On the 5th instant, the German steamship *Seiglinde*, for New York, with 2 first-class passengers, a cargo of coffee, and with no change in the personnel of the crew while here; on the 6th instant, the Belgian steamship *Camoens*, for New York, with coffee, no passengers from here, and no change in the crew; on the same date, the British steamship *Castilian Prince*, for New York, with a cargo of coffee, no passengers, and no change in the crew personnel; on the same date, the British steamship *Stagpool*, for Baltimore, with a cargo of manganese ore, no passengers, and no change in the crew personnel, and the British steamship *Glenaeen*, for New York, with coffee, no passengers, and no change in the crew personnel.

No other vessel left this port for United States or other ports requiring inspection during the period named.

*Plague in Campos.*—As last reported there were 8 cases under treatment in the isolation hospital. One new case was reported as occurring on the 10th instant.

*Mortality in Rio de Janeiro.*—Week ended September 9, 1906. Estimated population, 912,900. Total deaths from all causes, 263, including bubonic plague 6 cases, no deaths, and variola 2 cases. No cases nor deaths caused by yellow fever. This makes a clean record for this city of 5 weeks without a case or death due to yellow fever.

At the close of the week there were 1 case of plague, 1 case of variola, and 18 cases of suspicious illness under observation in the Hospital São Sebastião in this city.

*Mortality in the city of Para, Brazil.*—Month of June, 1906. Population, estimated, 177,000. Total deaths, 372, including 26 deaths from yellow fever.

*Mortality in Bahia, Brazil.*—Month of April, 1906. Population, estimated, 265,000. Total deaths, 443, including bubonic plague 6 and 1 from variola.

Month of May, 1906. Total deaths, 439, including plague 2 and 1 from variola.

Month of June, 1906. Total deaths, 467, including bubonic plague 9 and 1 from variola.

From January 1 to June 30, 1906, there were 2,615 deaths, including bubonic plague 64 and 10 from variola.

Week ended September 16, 1906. Vessels inspected, and received bills of health as follows: On the 10th instant the British steamship *Harby*, for some southern United States port, via St. Lucia, West Indies, for disinfection, with no cargo, no passengers, and with no change in the personnel of the crew while in this port; on the same date the British steamship *Phidias*, for New Orleans, La., with a cargo of coffee, no passengers, and with no change in the personnel of the crew; on the 13th instant the British steamship *Moorby*, for some

southern port, via St. Lucia, or Barbados, for disinfection, with no cargo, water ballast, no passengers, and with no change in the personnel of the crew while in this port.

No other vessels left this port requiring inspection during the period under consideration.

*Mortality in Rio de Janeiro.*—Week ended September 16, 1906. Estimated population, 912,000. Total deaths, 231. No cases or deaths from yellow fever for more than 6 weeks. Variola, 1 case; bubonic plague, 10 cases, with 3 deaths. This is a very considerable recrudescence, and the cause of it is unknown. This is the first time this year that as large a number of cases has occurred in any one week. At the close of the week there were in the Hospital São Sebastião 1 case of variola, 4 cases of plague, and 18 cases of illness regarded as suspicious held under observation.

*Plague, Campos, State of Rio.*—One new case on the 12th instant.

#### BRITISH HONDURAS.

##### *Report from Belize, fruit port.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Cooke reports as follows:

Week ended October 4, 1906. Present officially estimated population, 9,000. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

| Date.    | Vessel.            | Destination.                         | Number of crew. | Number of passengers from this port. | Number of passengers in transit. |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Sept. 28 | Olympia.....       | New Orleans .....                    | 42              | 8                                    | 0                                |
| Oct. 2   | Flandria .....     | New York via Central American ports. | 36              | 4                                    | 8                                |
| 3        | Indianapolis ..... | New Orleans .....                    | 26              | 0                                    | 0                                |

#### CHINA.

##### *Reports from Hongkong—Quarantine restrictions—Quarantinable diseases.*

Temporary Acting Assistant Surgeon Hough reports as follows:

Week ended August 18, 1906. Communicable diseases: Plague, 3 cases, 2 deaths.

*Precautions taken at Hongkong during the months of June and July, 1906, for the protection of the public health of the United States, the insular territory, and the Republic of Panama.*

##### *Month of June, 1906.*

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Vessels inspected and granted bills of health .....                                       | 39    |
| Vessels fumigated to kill vermin .....                                                    | 1     |
| Examined for diseases contemplated in paragraphs 29 and 67 of the Quarantine Regulations: |       |
| (a) Personnel.....                                                                        | 3,292 |
| (b) Passengers .....                                                                      | 1,083 |